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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT SECRETARIAT GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT: Vietnam War Commemoration Advisory Committee

According to 41 CFR § 102-3.50(d), the Deputy Secretary of Defense has directed the establishment of the Vietnam War Commemoration Advisory Committee.

Section 598(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110-181) authorizes the Secretary of Defense to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War. After careful deliberation and discussions among the various stakeholders, the Department has determined that the establishment of an advisory committee will best serve the U.S. Government, the commemorative program the American people, and the various veterans' organization.

Accordingly, the Department shall establish an advisory committee of not more than 15 members to provide independent advice to the Department of Defense on the Vietnam War Commemorative Program, which will last until 2025. The committee members, appointed by the Secretary of Defense, shall represent Vietnam Veterans, their families, the American public or those organizations that supported the soldiers in Vietnam or their families during the Vietnam War.

The Vietnam War Commemoration Advisory Committee shall comply with the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976, and the governing federal regulations. If you should have any questions about this charter please contact me at 703-601-6128.

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